Preparing Your Recyclables

Recycling in Fulton County should be separated into 3 different categories: Paper; Corrugated Cardboard; and Containers (glass, plastic & metal)





- Newspapers & Inserts
- Magazines & Catalogs
- Envelopes, Junk Mail
- Sheet or Shredded Paper
- Phone & Paperback Books
- Grayboard (one-layer cardboard) like Cereal, Shoe or Tissue Boxes
- Paper Egg Cartons

Remove & discard plastic or waxed inner liner bags.

Flatten any boxes.

Put paper and flattened boxes into a clear plastic bag (or tie in bundles).

NO: hardcover books, carbon paper, foil-lined envelopes, food residue, inner liner bags, tissues and napkins.

Cardboard

- Packing Boxes
- Corrugated Cardboard with 3 layers, including a wavy middle section

NO: Pizza boxes, hardcover books.

Flatten and tie in bundles no larger than 3' x 3', *OR* put inside a clear plastic bag. Do not stack inside an unbroken box.

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 Clear and Colored Glass Food & Beverage Bottles and Jars

NO: windows, mirrors, light bulbs, automotive glass, ceramics & pottery, plates or cups.

• Food & Beverage Cans

- Aluminum Food Trays
- Empty Aerosol Cans

Put lid inside can & pinch top

NO: paint cans, aluminum foil, pots & pans, or containers that contained caustic or flammable products.

Cans Aluminum & Tin

Plastic

Milk Jugs, Bottles

- Detergent, Liquid Soap and Shampoo Bottles
- Food & Beverage Cans
- Tub Type Containers (yogurt, margarine tubs)
- Bags of plastic shopping bags, wood pellet bags*

NO: Tupperware, toys, pill bottles, Styrofoam, bubble wrap, flower pots, motor oil, anti-freeze or RV anti-freeze, or pool chemical bottles.

RINSE CONTAINERS CLEAN

Labels can be left on

Put all glass and plastic jars, bottles, tubs, and metal cans together in a clear plastic bag.



*Put a tied "bag full of bags" (not loose) in bag with mixed containers.

Recycling should be placed into a see-through plastic bag. Use clear purchased bags, or grocery or department store bags. We must be able see what's inside. (*Paper items or cardboard can also be bundled and tied.*)

- 30 pound limit per bag-

Items that should NOT be in recycling

Garbage - Including food waste, diapers, motor oil bottles, pizza boxes.

Lawn & Yard Waste - Compost it, or check with your local municipal government to see if they have pick up programs.

Electronics - Year-round, free electronics & television drop-off at the Solid Waste Department (address below).

Light Bulbs - Fluorescent light bulbs can be dropped off at the FCDSW (no charge). Other bulbs go in with garbage.

Batteries - Used vehicle (wet cell), rechargeable & button batteries can be dropped at the FCDSW or any transfer station.

Household Hazardous Waste - HHW Drop-Off Day is held in every other August. Call for details.
 Paint - Hold liquid paint for HHW day, or Latex Paint Exchange every Saturday in June-Aug. Cans of dried (solidified) paint should go in the garbage, with the lid plainly removed (so garbage crews can see the paint is dried).

Medicines - Empty bottles go in the garbage. Do not flush old medicine. Local pharmacies have mail back programs. Contact local police department about disposal of controlled substances.

Sharps (needles and lancets) - NEVER PUT IN WITH RECYCLING. Call 736-5504 for disposal options.



Fulton County Department of Solid Waste

847 Mud Road, Johnstown, New York, 12095

Hours: 7:15 a.m.-3 p.m. weekdays • 7:15-11:30 a.m. Saturday

Contact Us: (518) 736-5504 Recycling Info-Line or recycle@co.fulton.ny.us